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25X1 1. The attitude of the Austrian Communist Party towards the Yugoslav claim to Carinthia was discussed [redacted]

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25X1 3. Opinion was divided; some of the Communist leaders advocated support of the
25X1 Yugoslav claim, others (including Otto Fischer and the delegates from Styria
and Carinthia) rejected it.

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3. Finally, CP Secretary-General Fuernkrans suggested a compromise, whereby outwardly the CP would reject the Yugoslav claim but would simultaneously inform Tito that this decision was prompted by internal political considerations only, and that should the Communists obtain power they would always be willing to revise their attitude. This compromise was adopted.

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